

# Sandy Funding Criteria Worksheet

<b>State Department:</b>
New Jersey Department of Health Public Health Infrastructure, Laboratories and Emergency Preparedness
<b>Name of Expenditure or Program:</b>
Information and Referral—Information Dissemination
<b>Amount:</b>
\$1,039,000

## Overview:

Due to the vulnerable condition Superstorm Sandy imposed upon New Jersey any impending storm may exacerbate its current quandaries. For example, in the nine counties most affected by Sandy, are 310 long-term care facilities with 31,465 beds and 63 hospitals. Sandy directly affected 152 primary care facilities and 19 renal dialysis facilities serving approximately 2,122 patients who needed dialysis three times per week. While New Jersey is still recovering, effective and reliable communication during such storms is paramount. Funds will be used to determine requirements and draft a high level design document for a messaging system that will allow immediate communication in emergency situations between licensed health care facilities in the nine most impacted New Jersey counties, HFEL and emergency preparedness and response staff.

## Federal Department of Origin:

Department of Health and Human Services

## Federal Requirements / Restrictions:

Funds to be totally expended by September 30, 2015.  
Also subject to Integrity Oversight monitoring via Assembly Bill A60 (A-60)(P.L.2013,c.37).  
Additional State regulations related to Governor Christie's Executive Order 125, as well as all applicable federal and state regulations for Procurement and Grants Management.

## Selection Standards:

Services will be provided through a waiver request to design and develop a messaging system outside traditional communication systems (telephone, fax, email) to link the Department of Health to health care facilities in the nine Sandy-affected counties (Atlantic, Bergen, Cape May, Essex, Hudson, Middlesex, Monmouth, Ocean, and Union).

## Eligibility Standards:

Existing vendors will be utilized to expand communication systems; open competitive bids will be requested and advertised in conjunction with New Jersey State procurement standards.

## Other Notes:

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